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SUBJECT: (Optional) Your Meeting with John J. Maresca (23 January 1987)

FROM: STAT STAT
Director, EURA

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director for Intelligence

FROM: Director, Office of European Analysis

SUBJECT: Your Meeting with John J. Maresca on Friday, 23 January 1987

1. Action Requested. None. For your information. (U)

2. Background. On 23 January 1987, you will meet with Mr. John J. Maresca, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for European and NATO Affairs, at his request as conveyed directly to your office. This will be a courtesy call. Following your meeting, Mr. Maresca will also pay a courtesy call on Dick Kerr and then will meet with EURA and SOVA officers for substantive briefings and discussion (see Agenda at Attachment A).

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3. Mr. Maresca has been in his current position for about six months. Prior to his appointment with the Department of Defense, he was a Visiting Fellow at Georgetown University and before that Deputy Chief of Mission in Paris (see Biography at Attachment B).

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4. Under Richard Perle, Mr. Maresca has broad responsibility for European and NATO Affairs. While his primary focus is on NATO and the US defense relationship with the West European Allies, his office also has responsibility for, and interest in, Soviet and East European issues. His briefings and discussion with EURA and SOVA will focus on a number of issues in which he has expressed specific interest:

-- SOVA will provide briefings on the motives behind, and potential impact on the Soviet military of, the Soviet Atlantic-to-Urals conventional arms control proposals; the nature of Soviet reliance on the East Europeans in planning for military operations against NATO; and Gorbachev's economic problems and their impact on Soviet defense spending.

-- EURA will provide briefings on points of agreement and strain in Soviet-East European economic relations, West European public attitudes on defense issues, and increased West European defense and security policy coordination in the wake of the Reykjavik meeting.

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5. Talking Points. As this will be a courtesy call, we do not expect Mr. Maresca to bring up specific issues or requests for intelligence support. He may mention, however, a briefing he received in mid-December:

-- On 18 December, EURA and SOVA analysts briefed Maresca on a joint draft study comparing the relative costs of NATO and Warsaw Pact defense activities, using SOVA's dollar costing methodology. At the time, Maresca expressed some concern that information in the study -- particularly on NATO's higher procurement costs but lower weapons acquisition levels -- could be seized upon by DoD opponents in Congress.

-- The briefers stressed that the paper assesses these trends in the context of differing Alliance approaches to force modernization and points to the significant qualitative advantages NATO gains from its more costly and sophisticated weapons systems.

-- We have encouraged Maresca and his staff to review and comment on the draft study and already have made adjustments
STAT to further highlight these "qualitative" factors.

6. You may also wish to emphasize the following points:

-- The Agency is committed to maintaining strong ties with OSD/International Security Policy and Maresca's staff in particular. EURA and SOVA respond to substantive questions frequently, provide periodic briefings on NATO and Warsaw Pact issues, and generally enjoy quite cordial relations at the staff level. This relationship has grown further with John Kachold's rotational assignment from EURA to Maresca's staff.

-- We look to Perle and Maresca as key consumers of our product, value their reactions and commentary, and benefit greatly from this type of interchange.

-- Of particular importance to us is continued dialogue on US defense policy interests and developments so that we may anticipate his needs and best tailor our analysis and
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Attachment:
A. Agenda
B. Biography

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ATTACHMENT A

SCHEDULE FOR VISIT TO CIA BY JOHN J. MARESCA, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, EUROPEAN & NATO POLICY, 23 JAN 1987

10:00	Depart DoD
10:30-11:00	Meet with Robert Gates, DDCI
11:00-11:30	Meet with Richard Kerr, DDI and John Helgerson, ADDI
11:30-12:45	Discussions with Office of European Analysis, hosted by [redacted] D/EURA (Briefings: West European Public Attitudes on Defense Issues; Increased West European Defense/ Security Cooperation; Soviet-East European Economic Relations)
STAT 12:45-2:00	Lunch with [redacted] D/EURA and Douglas MacEachin, D/SOVA
2:00-3:15	Discussions with Office of Soviet Analysis, hosted by Douglas MacEachin, D/SOVA (Briefings: Soviet Conventional Arms Proposals: Motives and Implications; Soviet Reliance on East European Forces; Gorbachev's Economic Program: Implications for Defense)
3:30	Depart CIA

NOTES:

Meetings with EURA and SOVA will consist of an overview of each office and its activities (15 mins), followed by 3 substantive briefings (20 minutes each).

Lunch will be in CIA's Executive Dining Room.

STAT Mr. Maresca will be accompanied by [redacted] CIA officer on rotational assignment in ISP/ENP/ Regional Policy.

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